REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claim 7 has been amended and claims 1-6 and 8-15 remain unchanged. Thus, claims 1-15 are pending.

As amended, all the pending claims of the subject application comply with all requirements of 35 U.S.C. Accordingly, Applicant requests examination and allowance of all pending claims.

Formal Matters

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 1-6 and 8-15 have been allowed.

Claim 7 has been amended to address the Examiner's comment regarding the informality. Accordingly, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

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Attachments WLS/ka

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Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figs. 1, 3B, 3D and 4. These sheets, which includes Figs. 1-2, 3A-3D and 4 replace the original sheets including Figs. 1-2, 3A-3D and 4.

- In Fig. 1, previously omitted element 14 has been added.
- In Fig. 3B previously omitted elements 50, 54 and 60 have been added.
- In Fig. 3D, previously omitted elements 50, 62 and 64 have been added.
- In Fig. 4, previously omitted elements 126, 161 and 162 have been added.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets

Annotated Sheet Showing Changes

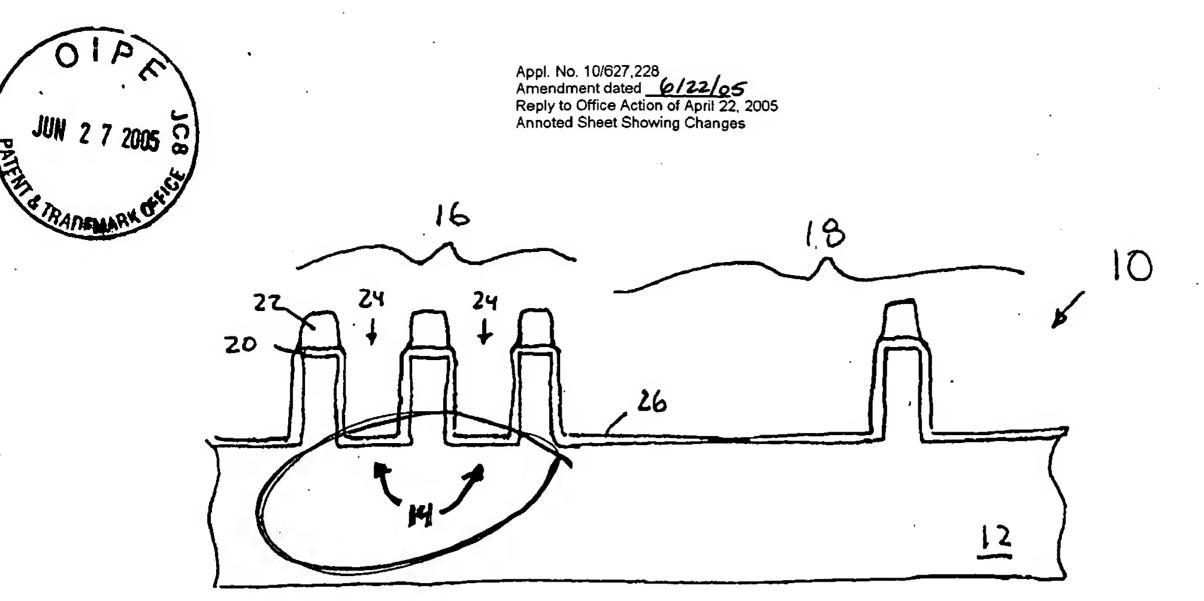


FIG. I

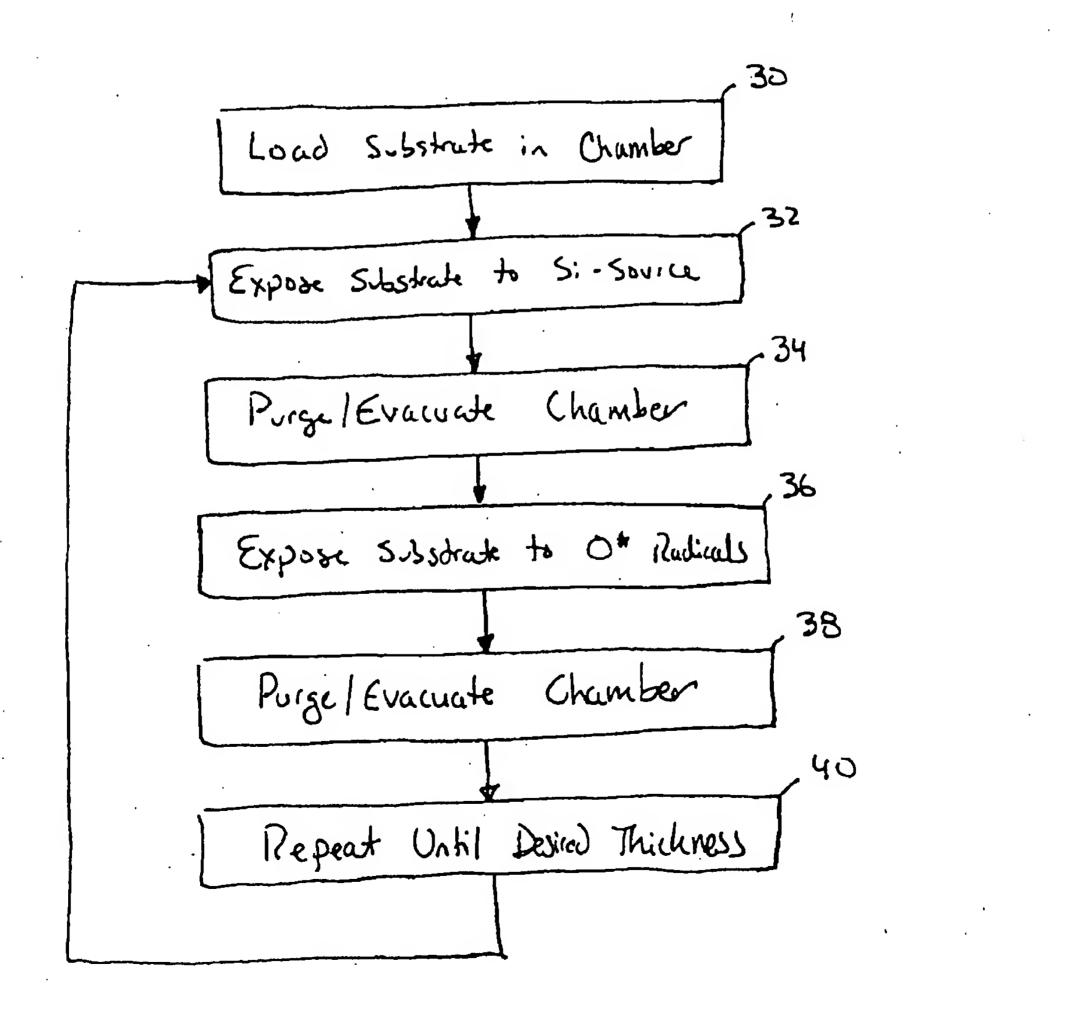
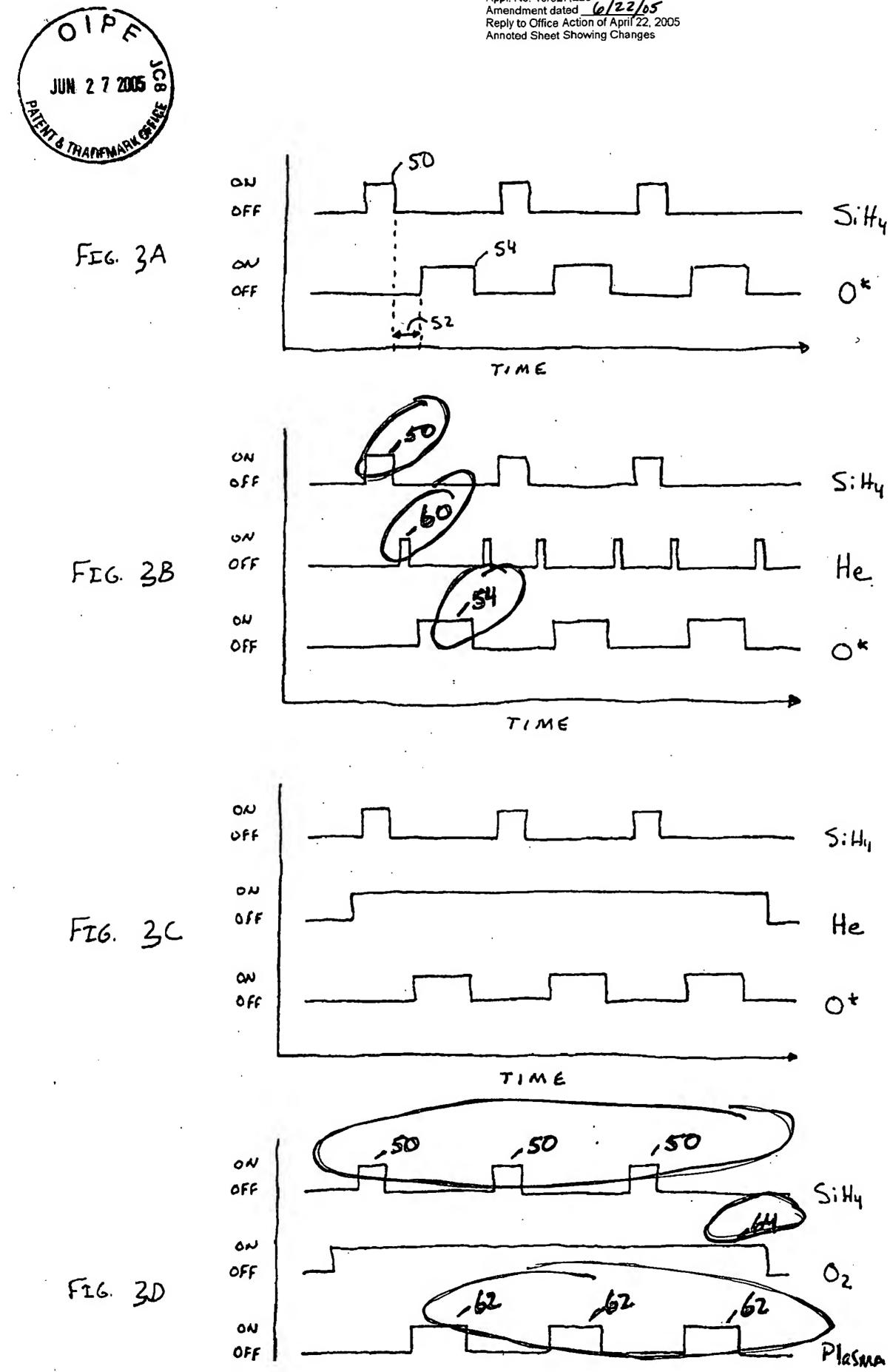


FIG. 2





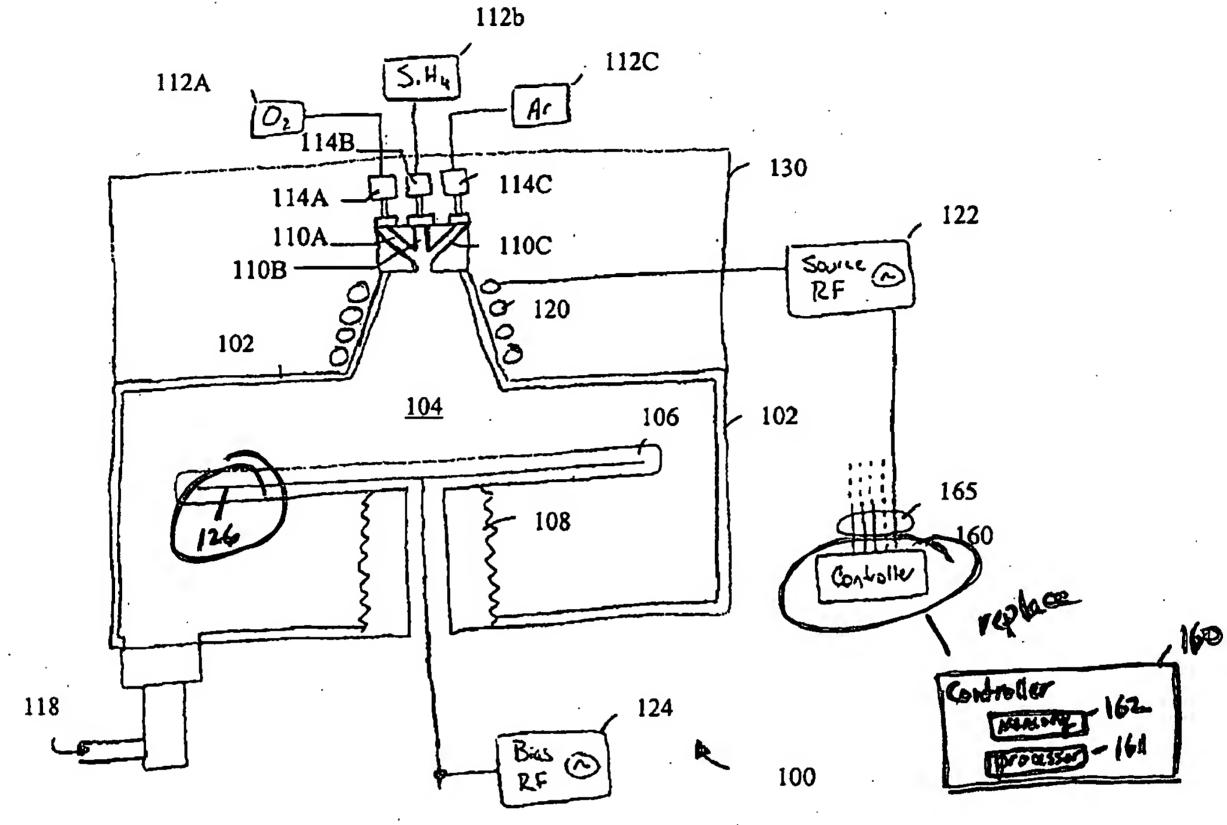


FIG. 4